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SUBJ: Requirements for Use of Status of Housing Availability Form (DD Form 1747)

1. The VA Lender's Handbook specifies that **DD Form 1747, Status of Housing Availability**, is a required exhibit in most instances to support the use of quarters allowance in qualifying military personnel. To permit consideration of the quarters allowance in the underwriting analysis, the form must indicate:

- Quarters will not be made available to the applicant, and
- the applicant is authorized to make permanent arrangements for non-military housing.

*Reference: Chapter 4, section 4.02, VA Lender's Handbook, (VA Pamphlet 26-7, revised).*

2. Due to present economic conditions, on-base housing is in demand by service personnel at a number of military installations. Many bases have waiting lists for military quarters, and it is improbable that individuals desiring to purchase off-base housing at these duty stations would be precluded from doing so in the foreseeable future.

3. Therefore, individual off-base housing authorizations **will not** be required by the Roanoke Regional Loan Center.

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